

In the Claims

Please amend pending Claims 1, 4 and 5 as follows:

1. (amended) An integral single piece adapter ring with internal female and external male threads, for adapting a conventional baby bottle nipple-and-collar to fit a conventional narrow-mouthed threaded beverage bottle top, said adapter comprising:

a cylindrical ring (2) having an internal void (3) therein;

said female threads located on an inner wall (4) of said ring (2);

said female threads for mating with ~~the~~ respective male bottle-top threads of a conventional narrow-diameter threaded-cap beverage container (8); said female threads on said inner wall (4) for permitting alternate user mounting and user removal of said cylindrical ring (2) respectively onto and from said conventional beverage bottle (8);

said cylindrical ring (2) having said external male threads on an outer wall of said ring (2); said male threads for alternate user mounting and removal respectively onto and from respective internal female threads on a conventional baby-bottle nipple collar (6);

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[a] an unbraced, unencumbered resilient circumferential sealing flange (5), said sealing flange being completely flat on its respective top and bottom surfaces, said sealing flange extending radially inward from said inner wall of said ring (2);

said completely flat sealing flange (5) having a central aperture for permitting fluid flow to a conventional baby-bottle nipple (7) therethrough; said completely flat sealing flange (5) ~~for~~ sealably contacting the an upper edge of the conventional beverage bottle spout when said cylindrical ring (2) and said conventional baby-bottle collar are in their respective mounted positions; and

an uninterrupted top chamber above said sealing flange (5) and a bottom chamber below said sealing flange (5), said top chamber having a smooth, cylindrical interior wall and a diameter larger than the diameter of said bottom chamber.

4. (new) An integral, single piece ~~adapter~~ adapter for adapting a baby bottle nipple for use on and with a narrow-mouthed threaded beverage bottle top comprising:

a circular ring divided in the interior thereof into a an uninterrupted top chamber and a bottom chamber by an inwardly extending unbraced, unencumbered resilient sealing

flange, said unbraced, unencumbered sealing flange being completely flat on respective top and bottom surfaces thereof for engaging and sealing a top opening of said beverage bottle top, said completely flat sealing flange having an opening for passage of liquid;

said top chamber having an uninterrupted recess therein and a smooth cylindrical interior wall surface;

female threads being provided along an inner surface of said bottom chamber for engaging threads on the outside of said beverage bottle top;

a collar formed on the outside of said ring adjacent a lower opening into said bottom chamber; and,

male threads on the outside of said ring above said collar for engagement with a collar accommodating said nipple therein.

5. (new) The integral, single piece ~~adapter~~ adapter of claim 4 in which said top chamber has ~~a smooth cylindrical interior wall surface with~~ a larger inside diameter than said bottom chamber.